

NORTHAMPTON GENERAL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £125 per annum, with furnished apartments, board, attendance, and washing. Applications to Secretary by September 27th.

READING: ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications to the Secretary by September 16th.

ROTHERHAM HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £53 per annum. Applications to E. S. Baylis, 19, Moorgate Street, Rotherham, by September 15th.

ROXBURGH DISTRICT ASYLUM, Melrose, N.B.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum, with rooms, board, and washing. Applications to the Medical Superintendent.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—(1) Physician for Diseases of Women, with charge of out-patients. Applications to the Secretary by October 11th.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL, E.C.—Lecturer on General Anatomy and Physiology in the Medical School. Applications to the Clerk by September 8th.

SALFORD ROYAL HOSPITAL.—(1) House-Surgeon. (2) House Physician. (3) Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, (1) £100, (2) £80, (3) £70 per annum, with board and residence in each case. Applications to the Secretary and Superintendent by September 15th.

SHEFFIELD ROYAL HOSPITAL.—Junior Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications to Dr. Stanley Biseley, 239, Glossop Road, Sheffield, by September 9th.

SOUTHPORT INFIRMARY.—Resident Junior House and Visiting Surgeon, unmarried. Appointment for six months, but renewable. Honorarium at the rate of £5 per annum, with residence, board, and washing. Applications to the Secretary, 24, King Street, Southport.

STOCKPORT INFIRMARY.—Junior Assistant House-Surgeon. Appointment for six months. Salary at the rate of £40 per annum, with board, washing, and residence. Applications to the Secretary.

FIVERTON INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—House-Surgeon and Dispenser. Salary, £80 per annum, with board, apartments, etc. Applications to the Honorary Secretary, by September 1st.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—(1) House Surgeon; (2) House-Physician. Board and lodging provided. Applications to Secretary-Superintendent by September 24th.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.—Medical Officer of Dispensary. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications to the Honorary Secretary by September 9th.

WORTHINGTON HOSPITAL FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum, with board, apartments, and washing. Applications to the Clerk, Town Hall, West Didsbury, by September 1st.

WORCESTER GENERAL INFIRMARY.—Physician. Applications to the Secretary by September 6th.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

BIRD, Arthur Cyril, M.B.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Medical Officer to the Sidmouth Dispensary.

COLLIE, E. J., M.D., appointed (1) Medical Examiner to the London County Council; (2) Assistant Medical Officer to the London School Board.

DEWAR, John, M.B.C.S., L.R.C.P., appointed House-Physician to the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

EWART, David, M.B., Ch.B. Edin., F.R.C.S., appointed Honorary Surgeon to West Sussex, East Hampshire, and Chichester general infirmary.

FRENCH, G. W. H., F.R.C.S., appointed Assistant Surgeon to St. Paul's Hospital for Skin and Genito-Urinary Diseases, Red Lion Square, W.C.

MCGACHEN, F. W. D., M.D., D.P.H.Lond., appointed Medical Officer to the Weymouth and Westham District, and Public Vaccinator for Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, vice E. N. Fildmore, M.B.Lond., resigned.

AWDON, F. B., M.B., Ch.B., appointed House-Surgeon to the Rotherham Hospital and Dispensary.

SMITH, Ward, M.B., Ch.B. Edin., F.R.C.S.Eng., appointed Surgeon to Sir Titus Salt's Hospital, Shipley.

VALENTINE, W. A., M.D., B.Ch.Dub., appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Bideford and District Dispensary and Infirmary.

WALKER, J. W. Thomson, M.B., Ch.B. Edin., F.R.C.S.Eng., appointed Assistant Surgeon to the North-West London Hospital.

WALKER, T., M.B.C.S., L.R.C.P., appointed House-Surgeon to the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

WHARTON, John, B.A., B.C.Camb., appointed House-Surgeon to the Manchester Royal Eye Hospital.

WILKINS, Arthur G., M.B., Ch.B., appointed Resident Medical Officer to St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, Manchester.

DIARY FOR NEXT WEEK.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES.

West London Hospital, Hammersmith Road, W. Demonstrations and Lectures will be given as follows:—Monday, 4.30 p.m.: Demonstration in Medical Wards. Tuesday, 5 p.m.: Urine in presumably Healthy Subjects. Wednesday, 5 p.m.: The Modern Treatment of Fractures. Thursday, 4.30 p.m.: Demonstration in Surgical Wards. Friday, 5 p.m.: Surgical Cases.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

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BIRTHS.

JONES.—On St. Bartholomew's Day, the wife of E. Lloyd Jones, M.D.Camb., Corpus Buildings, Cambridge, of a daughter.

PHILLIPS.—On August 18th, at E.N. Hospital, Chatham, the wife of Surgeon J. E. H. Phillips, E.N., of a son.

WARD.—On August 21st, at 22, Museum Street, Ipswich, the wife of Francis Ward, M.D., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

THYNE-YOUNG.—At Metheringham, Lincoln, on August 6th, by the Rev. J. Sinker, brother-in-law of the bride, the Rev. P. W. Barrett, M.A., Rector of Chipping Barnet, and the Rev. W. Ignatius S. Rawson, Vicar, William Thyne, M.A., M.D., Barnet, to Kate Christian, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Young, and of Mrs. Young, of Roewath, Cumberland.

TIBBITS-HARMAN.—On August 27th, at St. Mary's, Warwick, by the Rev. Canon Rivington, M.A., Vicar, Hubert Tibbitts, M.B., of Warwick, to Edith Lucy, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Edmond Harman, M.A., Rector of Pickwell, Leicestershire, and Mrs. Harman, The Marble House, Warwick.

DEATHS.

COLEMAN.—On August 26th, at 6, Mount Park Crescent, Ealing, Alfred Coleman, F.R.C.S., L.D.S.Eng., in his 74th year.

RD.—On August 6th, at his residence, Hightown, Manchester, William Henry Ward, M.B.C.S., L.S.A.

LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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CORRESPONDENTS who wish notice to be taken of their communications should authenticate them with their names—of course not necessarily for publication.

CORRESPONDENTS not answered are requested to look at the Notices to Correspondents of the following week.

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS.—The telegraphic address of the EDITOR of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL is *Atiology, London*. The telegraphic address of the MANAGER of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL is *Articulate, London*.

Queries, answers, and communications relating to subjects to which special departments of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL are devoted will be found under their respective headings.

QUERIES.

MOND would feel very grateful for advice as to a suitable residence at home and abroad for a patient suffering from chronic Bright's disease.

R. W. M. asks if there are any good slow combustion stoves by which bedroom can be kept warm all night during the cold winter nights.

THYROID would like to know the value of injections of equal parts tincture of iodine and alcohol into the gland for the cure of goitre. Also if suppuration is likely to follow.

WHARFEDALE writes: Will any member who has recently taken the M.D. Durham, recommend course of study or mention the books most likely to be of use in reading for the examination?

ENQUIRER would be much obliged if any member can inform him where to obtain information respecting the State care of the sick in the various Continental countries and America, especially with regard to the support of State hospitals.

L. I. W. writes: Would any of the readers of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL be kind enough to give me an account of the most successful treatment of ruptured perineum? During the birth of an extra large child a fortnight ago the mother's perineum was torn back to the anus by the shoulders. The following day I put in two stitches and took every precaution to preserve immobility. But on examination several days afterwards I was disappointed to find that there had been no attempt at healing. As this has been my previous experience I think that some other method might be more successful.

DR. D. McASKIE (Tottenham) asks for suggestions as to the treatment of a case of chronic diarrhoea in which he has tried bismuth and opium; catechu; bismuth, rhubarb and creosote pills; and salol. He has excluded the possibility of any growth or accumulation of faeces. The patient is a man about 50 years of age, and when he is worried or gets a chill his diarrhoea is worse. Is Hughson's prescription of salicin in Co-g. doses every four hours, with which he claims to have cured in a few weeks diarrhoea which had lasted for years, to be recommended?

A PORTABLE MICROSCOPE.

R. D. P. asks to have recommended a good portable microscope for all-round work.

Many English microscope makers supply first-rate instruments, which are of reasonable portability; of the foreign makes many consider that those of Leitz and Hartnack, on the ordinary model, are very good for ordinary clinical work; in each case a handle fixed to the end of the wooden case gives great portability.

THE B.C. CAMBRIDGE.

A CORRESPONDENT inquires whether the degree of Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Cambridge can be entered on the Medical Register as a practitioner's only qualification, since the Medical Act of 1886 forbids registration of any practitioners unless they have passed an examination in medicine, surgery, and midwifery.

The degree of Bachelor of Surgery is conferred by the University of Cambridge only on candidates who have passed an examination in medicine and midwifery as well as surgery. It is thus a registrable qualification in medicine, surgery, and midwifery.

ANSWERS.

R. W. M.—A good apparatus for keeping hot milk, etc., is "Clarke's Pyramidal Nursery Lamp" for use with one of Clarke's night lights.

F. F. D.—We recommend our correspondent to have nothing to do with the medical association as to which he inquires.

YORKIST.—We do not give professional advice. Our correspondent should consult a medical practitioner.

J. H. R. G.—The latest complete account of eclampsia is to be found in Allbutt's *System of Medicine*, vol. vii. The disease does not tend to recur in future pregnancies.

AXON and J. F.—We are unable to supply the information required.

DR. W. F. WALKER.—We are not in a position to answer our correspondent's question.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

G. P.—Our correspondent will probably find what he wants in W. A. Purrington's *Christian Science, an Exposition of Mrs. Eddy's Wonderful Discovery, including its Legal Aspects* (E. B. Treat and Co., New York, 1900). Mrs. Eddy's book, *Science and Health*, with the key to the Scriptures (Boston, 1898) was reviewed at considerable length in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, November 12th, 1898, p. 1515.

INFECTIOUSNESS OF CHICKEN-POX.

VARICELLA writes to ask if chicken-pox is a notifiable disease in London, and how much time should be allowed to elapse after the first appearance of the rash before the patient is allowed to travel by rail and cab?

** The disease is a notifiable one in London. The indication in regard to freedom from infection given in *A Code of Rules for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases in Schools* (4th Edition, London: J. and A. Churchill, 1899) is that a pupil may go home or rejoin the school when every scab has fallen off, particular attention being paid to the scalp.

BROUGHAM-HANSOMS.

JOHN T. HARTILL, L.R.C.P.S., M.R.C.S. Eng. (Willenhall), writes: In answer to the query of "Ignoramus," I used a brougham-hansom for many years and found it one of the most comfortable vehicles I ever rode in. I advise "Ignoramus," if he should decide to purchase, to have the margins of the doors protected against driving rain by electroplated beading and the floor covered with oil cloth. The inside mat should be perforated rubber, and two holes should be bored through the floor at the most dependent point when the horse is in the shafts. This is a safeguard against mould inside in the hansom, because, do what you will, a certain amount of rain will get inside, between the bottom of the doors and their framework; but this does no harm if it runs out immediately, and the floor is regularly cleaned. My hansom had a flat front, which I consider preferable to a circular front; and I took care that it was lofty and therefore roomy inside. When the wind is strong it is useful to be on your guard in getting in and out, lest the fingers should be severely pinched. My hansom for daily work needed a big powerful horse, and although lighter than the majority of light broughams capable of seating four persons inside, I considered the wear and tear for the horse quite as great. My district is not hilly, but the horse travelled well up and down hills. The great strain on the horse is in the frequent turning of corners where there is a fair amount of traffic. Messrs. Marston, of Birmingham, make, or did make, excellent brougham-hansoms.

POTASSIUM NITRATE AND NITRITE IN CHRONIC INCREASE OF ARTERIAL TENSION.

PUZZLED.—Sir T. Lauder Brunton's article in the *Deut. med. Woch.*, of which we published a short extract in the *EPIGONE* of June 28th, contains a prescription as follows: Kalium bicarbonicum, 1.8; kalium nitricum, 1.2; natrium nitrosum, 0.03. The second ingredient is, of course, the nitric acid salt of potassium, that is, nitrate of potassium, and the third is the nitrous acid salt of sodium, that is, nitrite of sodium. The terms "nitricum" and "nitrosum" are more correct Latin expressions than those usually employed in England, and are always used in German prescriptions. Through an unfortunate slip of the pen the writer of the abstract translated the dose of the last item as 4.5 instead of 0.45 gr.

LETTERS, NOTES, Etc

HINTS TO TRAVELLERS.

A distinguished physician has kindly sent us the following hints for travellers which will doubtless be found useful by many of our readers at the present season of the year: "I have found peppermint soap useful in keeping mosquitos off. I doubt if it can be got readily in the market now, as there seems to be little demand for it. It can, however, be made by adding some oil of peppermint to ordinary soft soap. Take a little of this on the hands with water, wash the hands and face and every part of the body likely to be exposed to mosquito bites with it, then let it dry on. When I was at Capri many years ago, my wife and I used it and were not bitten by mosquitos, with this exception, that my wife forgot to apply the soap to her nostril, and one mosquito stung her on the inside of the nostril and caused the nose to swell up. I counted more than sixty bites on one hand of a man who was sitting next to me at table d'hôte, so there was no want of mosquitos. For fleas I carry about some fennel seed in a small muslin bag, and I have found this of great service. In South Africa the game is very fond of lying in fields of wild fennel, and Colonel J. G. B. Stopford informed me that when this is used for litter in the stables the fleas disappear. Not being able to get the fennel plant, I used the seed in the way I have mentioned, and find it very satisfactory. For bugs and ants I generally used Keating's powder."

THE CASE OF DR. W. C. RAINSBURY.

MR. GEORGE S. O'ROURKE, Secretary, Midland Medical Union, Albion Chambers, King Street, Nottingham, writes: At the Nottingham Assizes, on July 17th, Dr. Rainsbury, of Skegby, was sued by a collier employed at the Reversal Colliery for damages for alleged unskillful treatment of an injury to his arm sustained in November, 1900. The trial resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff for £25 damages and costs. It would serve no

useful purpose now to enter at length into the merits of the case, as judgement has been given. A report of the case was given in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of July 26th. From perusal of the reports of the trial it appears that Dr. Rainsbury has suffered a great hardship by reason of the judgement. The expenses of defending the action was borne by the Medical Defence Union, of which Dr. Rainsbury is a member. But by the regulations of that Union it cannot pay the damages or costs which are adjudged against a defendant. The judgement debt and costs amount to £182 6s. 6d. Dr. Rainsbury has made no appeal to the Midland Medical Union for assistance, but in view of the special nature of the circumstances and of the apparent injury which he has sustained, the President and Council recommend that a fund be raised by subscription in order to assist Dr. Rainsbury in discharging the judgement debt and costs. Medical men are accordingly earnestly invited to subscribe to the fund. The matter is most urgent and pressing. I therefore venture to ask that donations intended to be made be sent to me at the earliest opportunity.

The writer of a letter on the distribution of honours for the North China Expedition has not authenticated his communication with his name.

LETTERS, COMMUNICATIONS, Etc., have been received from:

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BOOKS, Etc., RECEIVED.

vue d'Hygiène et de Médecine Infantiles Medical Ethics: A Guide to Professionals et Annales de la Polyclinique H. de Conduict. By Robert Saundby, M.D. Rothschild, paraissant tous les deux Edin. Bristol: John Wright and Co. mois. Directeur: Dr. H. de Roths- London: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, child. Tome I, Nos. 14. 1902. Paris: Kent, and Co., Limited 3s. 6d. Octave Dolin.

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